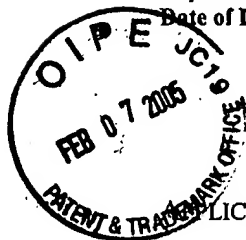


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Communication, mailed September 24, 2003 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before November 24, 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-621 (CURA-121). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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